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SUMMARY: AD REFERENDUM AGREEMENT REACHED ON SEPTEMBER 12 TO STRENGTHENING OF UNCTAD RESOLUTION REFTEL A WITH EXCEPTION OF LAST PREAMBULAR PARA WHICH REFERS TO IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAM OF ACTION. USDEL CONSIDERS TEXT QUOTED BELOW ACCEPTABLE. END SUMMARY.

1. QUOTE: THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT PARAGRAPH 4 OF CHAPTER IX OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3302 (S-VI) WHICH CALLED FOR THE STRENGTHENING OF UNCTAD ACTIVITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOLLOWING IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER COMPETENT ORGANIZATIONS

THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN RAW MATERIALS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,

BEARING IN MIND ALSO THE RESPONSIBILITIES, FUNCTIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF UNCTAD AS CONFERRED ON IT BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 1995 (XIX) WHICH ESTABLISHED UNCTAD AND WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 23 (A) OF THIS RESOLUTION, AND RELATED UNCTAD RESOLUTIONS, NOTABLY TD/B RESOLUTION 7 (I) ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 2, DEALING RESPECTIVELY WITH THE PREPARATION OF STATISTICAL AND OTHER STUDIES AND WITH THE COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES OF ALL BODIES INVOLVED IN THE COMMODITY FIELD,

BEARING IN MIND ALSO THE WORK BEING ONE IN OTHER ORGAN-IZATIONS CONCERNED.

HAVING GIVEN PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION TO THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD ON THIS MATTER (TD/B/497),

FIFTH PREAMBULAR PARA TO BE CONSIDERED SEPTEMBER 13,

- 1. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD
- (A) TO ARRANGE FOR THE REGULAR DISTRIBUTION OF THE UNCTAD MONTHLY COMMODITY PRICE BULLETIN TO ALL MEMBER GOVERNMENTS OF UNCTAD AND TO INCLUDE, IF POSSIBLE, A TRANSLATION INTO ALL THE WORKING LANGUAGES OF THE UNITED NATIONS OF THE COMMENTARY AT PRESENT APPEARING IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH:
- (B) TO TAKE SUCH ADDITIONAL ACTION AS IS POSSIBLE WITHIN HIS EXISTING RESOURCES TO STRENGTHEN THE WORK OF UNCTAD IN THE COLLECTION, DISSEMINATION AND ANALYSIS OF INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF FOLLOWING THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COMMODITIES AND TO SUBMIT TO THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES AT ITS EIGHTH SESSION A REPORT ON THE ACTION HE HAS TAKEN, TOGETHER WITH ANY PORPOSALS HE MAY HAVE FOR ADDITIONAL MEASURES FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STRENGTHENING UNCTAD ACTIVITIES ALONG THE LINES SUGGESTED IN HIS REPORT TD/B/497:

2. REQUESTS MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO COOPERATE WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNCTAD IN THE COLLECTION AND THE PROVISION OF STATISTICAL AND OTHER INFORMATION AND IN THE MONITORING OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF COMMODITIES AND COMPETING SYNTHETIC SUBSTITUTES;

- 3. INVITES THE COOPERATION IN THIS WORK OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, NOTABLY FAO, THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, GATT AND THE SPECIALIZED COMMODITY BODIES. END QUOTE.
- 2. USDEL BELIEVES AGREED PARAS ACCEPTABLE TO US AND UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE, USDEL WILL AGREE TO STRENGTHENING RESOLUTION IF FIFTH PREAMBULAR PARA ON PROGRAM OF ACTION CONFORMS TO INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL C. IF FIFTH PREAMBULAR PARA NOT RESOLVED TO US SATISFACTION, USDEL WILL REQUEST VOTE ON STRENGTHENING RESOLUTION AND VOTE ACCORDING TO INSTRUCTIONS STATED IN REFTEL D. DALE

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